

### **Important Notice**

# of Motor Vehicles Oversize/Overweight Restrictions Suspended For Disaster Declaration

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Pursuant to the Governor's declaration of disaster on May 15, 2015, including the amendments dated May 25, 2015, and any further amendments, the request to temporarily suspend vehicle size and weight restrictions is hereby approved for all activity necessary to respond to the emergency situation. This authorization applies to any disaster declared counties and any Texas county through which transport is necessary to reach the emergency response area. This suspension will be in effect until the emergency declaration is lifted by the Governor.

This suspension does not suspend any weight restrictions on the national system of interstate and defense highways. This suspension does not suspend any weight restrictions on a load-posted bridge if the gross weight or axle weight of the vehicle is greater than the established and posted limits, unless the bridge provides the only public vehicular access to or from the operator's origin or destination for the purposes of responding to the emergency situation.

This suspension does not imply that the road, highway, or bridge can safely accommodate the movement of an oversize/overweight vehicle and load.

Whitney Brewster, Executive Director Texas Department of Motor Vehicles 512-465-3001



#### GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

May 25, 2015

The Honorable Carlos Cascos Secretary of State State Capitol Room 1E.8 Austin, Texas 78701 FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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Secretary of State

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following proclamation:

Amending his proclamation of May 4, 2015, declaring a disaster in Archer, Bastrop, Bosque, Caldwell, Cass, Clay, Collin, Cooke, Denton, Dewitt, Eastland, Fannin, Gaines, Grayson, Grimes, Harrison, Hays, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hill, Hood, Houston, Jasper, Johnson, Kendall, Montague, Navarro, Newton, Nueces, Parker, San Jacinto, Smith, Van Zandt, Walker, Wichita, Wilson and Wise counties.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson

Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Attachment

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### **PROCLAMATION**

BY THE

## Covernor of the State of Texas

#### TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I, GREG ABBOTT, Governor of the State of Texas, issued an Emergency Disaster Proclamation on May 11, 2015, certifying that the severe weather, tornado and flooding event that began on May 4, 2015, has caused a disaster in Bosque, Clay, Denton, Eastland, Gaines, Montague and Van Zandt counties in the State of Texas. On May 15, 2015, I amended my proclamation of May 11, 2015, to include Cooke, Grimes, Hood, Navarro, Smith and Wise counties. Severe weather, tornadoes and flooding continue in these and other counties in Texas.

THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby declare a state of disaster in Archer, Bastrop, Bosque, Caldwell, Cass, Clay, Collin, Cooke, Denton, Dewitt, Eastland, Fannin, Gaines, Grayson, Grimes, Harrison, Hays, Henderson, Hidalgo, Hill, Hood, Houston, Jasper, Johnson, Kendall, Montague, Navarro, Newton, Nueces, Parker, San Jacinto, Smith, Van Zandt, Walker, Wichita, Wilson and Wise counties.

Pursuant to Section 418.017 of the code, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016 of the code, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 25th day of May, 2015.

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GREG ABBOTT

Governor

ATTESTED BY:

CARLOS CASCOS Secretary of State

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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